



of the quaint old mills in Erandyyine hundred, antedating the Revolutionary period, still standing, the one which probably has the most interesting history at ached to it is the old Grubb gris mill, stinated on Marsh road where west branch of Namam's creek. The prospect of preserving this link with the past, as well as utilized ink with the past, as well as utilized in the past, as well as utilized results are accounted to the trustees of Ardentown, who reently acquired the old mill proport through purchase from the proportion of the properties of the proportion of the properties of properties of the properties of properties properties

intest, after standing the rawagese the elements for 20 years, has bee acquired by the Arden Water Company, which is restoring the old mil race and dam which until about te which operated the old-fashione grantic grinding machinery. The only evidence of decay in the ancien structure is in some of the wood through the old mill a being renewed, but the old mill a being renewed, but have one of the wood of the woo

The Arden water Company whice supplies Arden and its neighbor. Ardentown, with water, seeking, new source of supply to meet the needs of the rapidly growing community, has taken out the old grind ing machinery, and in its place in astalling a large water wheel, fille and force pump.

The history of the ancient structure dates back to the time wher Emmanuei Grubb, who is said to have been the first child of English parentage born in Brandywine Hunired, acquired it. History records that the mill was built by Reuber Ford and Samuel Reynolds, and imbedded in the gable end of the structure is an arched stone bearing the

It apparently came into the possession of the Grubb family when in 1772 Emmanuel Grubb acquired 106 acres "In the interior of the hundred." from William Penn, which descended through the Grubb family descended through the Grubb family hands of Lewis B. Harvey, from whose heirs the property recently was acquired by a group of Ardenites, a little over a year ago.

Frank Stephens, one of ine 10unders of Arden, and one of the trusders of the and the control of the coucause of the sentiment attached to the ancient structure, wished it preserved as nearly intact as the needs of the water company permit, and its ancient wall will continue to reploneers who built so well that more than two centuries of time have made little change.

way for the new water wases, mass considerable where we was the water was to built, still in an excellent state of Mr. Stephens the two old tree trunks have again been covered over for and speculate about their history. Near the old mill, just below the bridge, is a rock with a large hole in it, imbedded in the bank of the interest of the water was the water water was the water water

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